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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A system, comprising:
a network search subsystem for responding to a query to present a compilation of a
5 set of a plurality of remote network resources, each remote network resource of said set having an
identifier; and
a remote processing initiation subsystem for associating an actuatable control with one
or more of said remote network resources of said set, each said actuatable control initiating a processing
of said associated remote network resource at a remote processor responsive to communication of an
10 initiation signal including said identifier.
2. The system of claim 1 wherein said remote processor includes an image
production system.
3. The system of claim 2 wherein said image production system includes a
printer.
- 15 4. The system of claim 1 wherein said initiation signal includes a metadata
parameter of said associated remote network resource.
5. The system of claim 4 wherein said metadata parameter includes a page
length of said associated remote network resource.
6. The system of claim 4 wherein said metadata parameter is identified when
20 said associated remote network resource is indexed for said network search subsystem.
7. The system of claim 6 wherein said metadata parameter includes a page
length of said associated remote network resource.
8. The system of claim 4 wherein said metadata parameter is identified by a
process coupled to a compilation presentation system.
- 25 9. The system of claim 8 wherein said associated remote network resource is a

document in portable document format (PDF) and said process includes a PDF access process.

10. The system of claim 1 further comprising a configurator process for configuring one or more processing options for said processing of said remote network resource.

11. The system of claim 10 wherein said configurator process estimates a processing cost for said processing of said remote network resource using said one or more processing options.

12. The system of claim 11 wherein said processing cost estimate is responsive to one or more metadata parameters of said remote network resource.

13. The system of claim 12 wherein said one or more metadata parameters includes a resource-size parameter.

14. The system of claim 13 wherein said resource is a document and said resource-size parameter includes a page-length.

15. The system of claim 11 wherein said processing cost is included in said compilation.

16. The system of claim 11 wherein each said remote network resource of said set includes its processing cost proximate to its actuatable control.

17. A method for operating a search engine process, the method comprising: applying an indexing algorithm to a content of each of a plurality of remote network resources, said indexing algorithm recording an identifier for each of said plurality of remote network resources; and

coupling one or more metadata parameters with said identifier for one or more of said plurality of remote network resources when each of said one or more plurality of remote network resources is accessed in furtherance of said applying step.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein said plurality of remote network resources includes one or more documents and said one or more metadata parameters include a page length of said one or more documents.

19. The method of claim 18 wherein said one or more documents are provided in PDF.

20. A search engine apparatus, comprising:
means for applying an indexing algorithm to a content of each of a plurality of remote
5 network resources, said indexing algorithm recording an identifier for each of said plurality of remote
network resources; and
means, coupled to said means for applying, for coupling one or more metadata
parameters with said identifier for one or more of said plurality of remote network resources when
each of said one or more plurality of remote network resources is accessed in furtherance of said
10 applying step.

21. A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium
carrying program instructions for initiating for operating a search engine process when executed using
a computing system, the executed program instructions executing a method, the method comprising:
applying an indexing algorithm to a content of each of a plurality of remote network
15 resources, said indexing algorithm recording an identifier for each of said plurality of remote network
resources; and
coupling one or more metadata parameters with said identifier for one or more of said
plurality of remote network resources when each of said one or more plurality of remote network
resources is accessed in furtherance of said applying step.

22. The computer product of claim 21 wherein said plurality of remote network
resources includes one or more documents and said one or more metadata parameters include a page
length of said one or more documents.

23. The computer program product of claim 22 wherein said one or more
documents are provided in PDF.

24. A method for processing a plurality of remote network resources, the method
comprising:
responding to a query, using a search engine, to present a compilation of a set of a
plurality of remote network resources, each remote network resource of said set having an identifier;
and

associating an actuable control with one or more of said remote network resources of said set, each said actuable control initiating a processing of said associated remote network resource at a remote processor responsive to communication of an initiation signal including said identifier.

25. The method of claim 24 wherein said associating step, for each one remote
5 network resource of said set, couples said identifier of said one remote network resource and one or more metadata parameters of said one remote network resource to said remote network resource.

26. The method of claim 25 wherein one or more remote network resources of said set are PDF documents and said one or more metadata parameters includes a page count.

27. A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium
10 carrying program instructions for processing a plurality of remote network resources when executed using a computing system, the executed program instructions executing a method, the method comprising:

responding to a query, using a search engine, to present a compilation of a set of a plurality of remote network resources, each remote network resource of said set having an identifier;
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associating an actuable control with one or more of said remote network resources of said set, each said actuable control initiating a processing of said associated remote network resource at a remote processor responsive to communication of an initiation signal including said identifier.

28. The computer program product of claim 27 wherein said associating step, for
20 each one remote network resource of said set, couples said identifier of said one remote network resource and one or more metadata parameters of said one remote network resource to said remote network resource.

29. The computer program product of claim 28 wherein one or more remote network resources of said set are PDF documents and said one or more metadata parameters includes
25 a page count.